



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 7, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

E' Sub F1 2. (Three-times Amended) The fuel injection valve according to claim 6, wherein an elastic member is provided between a sleeve and said core in order to form said buffer portion, said sleeve being disposed between a core and a valve holder of the solenoid.

Sub F2 6. (Amended) A fuel injection valve for opening and closing a needle valve by driving an armature with a solenoid comprising:

E 2 a buffer portion for damping a change of fuel pressure caused by valve bounce when the needle is closed, said buffer portion being an elastic member disposed at a position at which said